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SUBJ: SUMMER INTERSHIP PROGRAM

REF: A) STATE 277385., B) YAOUNDE 4063/ 1975

1. EMBASSY IS AGAIN VERY MUCH INTERESTED SUBJECT PROGRAM.  
1976 SUMMER INTERN, EILEEN RILEY, WHO EXTENDED INTO FALL, HAS  
JUST FINISHED HER USEFUL STUDY OF EFFECTS OF IMPROVING  
TRANSCAM II RAILROAD BOTTLENECK BETWEEN YAOUNDE AND DOUALA,  
WHICH IS GURC'S NUMBER ONE DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY.

2. SINCE 1976 INTERN WORKED ON RAILROAD PROJECT, 1977 INTERN  
WILL BE ASSIGNED TO EITHER OF TWO PROJECTS GIVEN IN REF B,  
WHICH ARE REPEATED BELOW:

(A) A CASE STUDY OF INTERDEPENDENCE. CONCEPT OF GLOBAL INTER-  
DEPENDENCE PROVIDES FRAMEWORK FOR US FOREIGN POLICY. CAMEROON  
CAN BE VIEWED AS A MICROCOSM OF INTERDEPENDENCE, NOT ONLY  
BECAUSE OF GURCS DELIBERATE EFFORTS TOWARD DIVERSIFICATION OF  
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. PROJECT WOULD STUDY SINGLE CASE OF  
ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE, TO BE SELECTED, IN WHICH SEVERAL  
NATIONAL DONORS INCLUDING US AND IO COLLABORATE IN  
DEVELOPING A PRODUCT EXPORTED TO SEVERAL COUNTRIES. AT BEST,  
STUDY WOULD ANALYZE KALEIDOSCOPICALLY SHIFTING INPUTS AND  
OUTPUTS WITHIN LARGER GLOBAL SETTING, BUT AT THE LEAST IT WOULD  
DESCRIBE THE OVERLAPPING LINES OF AFFINITY OF INTERESTS AND  
AFFILIATION IN THE ASSISTANCE DECISION-MAKING PROCES. AMBASSADOR,  
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WHO PLAYED ROLE IN CONCEPTUALIZING INTERDEPENDENCE WHILE ON S/P,

WOULD SUPERVISE INTERN S WORK.

(B) RELATIONSHIP OF BANK OF CENTRAL AFRICAN STATES (BEAC) WITH LOCAL BANKS, BOTH FRENCH OR GURC CONTROLLED. FRANCES INFLUENCE OVER CENTRAL BANK AND LINKAGE OF CFA MONETARY UNIT TO FRENCH FRANC HAS BEEN MIXED BLESSING TO MEMBER AFRICAN STATES. THE MANNER IN WHICH THIS RELATIONSHIP PRESERVES FRENCH INTERESTS IN THIS AREA AND HOW THIS RELATIONSHIP IS CHANGING IN RESPONSE TO INCREASING ECONOMIC STRENGTH AND INDEPENDENCE OF EX-TERRITORIES WOULD BE QUITE USEFUL IN UNDERSTANDING NATURE OF INTERDEPENDENCE OF THE MEMBER STATES, FRANCE AND EEC. WHILE CAMEROON WOULD BE A CASE STUDY, RESEARCH WOULD BE APPLICABLE TO MEMBER STATES OF BEAC AND ITS WEST AFRICAN COUNTERPARTS.

3. STUDENT SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST WORKING FRENCH AND GOOD UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE (MAGNA OR SUMMA CUM LAUDE) IN ONE OF THE RELEVANT DISCIPLINES. A SECOND YEAR GRADUATE STUDENT WOULD BE BETTER THAN A FIRST YEAR GRADUATE STUDENT. A HIGH ORDER OF INTELLIGENCE IS THE PRIMARY REQUIREMENT, AND WITH A VERY BRIGHT PERSON, AN UNDERGRADUATE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.  
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